

City of Newburgh

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City of Newburgh Welcomes Four New Police Officers- All City Residents



(L-R) New police officers Alvaro Farias, Charles Cruz, Brian Southworth and Ricardo Rivera are pictured with City Manager Richard F. Herbek (center) and Lt. Thomas Murphy (far right)

On September 13, 2012, four new City of Newburgh Police Officers were sworn in. Of the four, three are Spanish-speaking, and all four are City residents.

The new officers are: Brian Southworth, Charles Cruz, Alvaro Farias, and Ricardo Rivera.

Police Chief Michael Ferrara commented, “Having these additional officers academy trained and then assigned to the city streets of Newburgh will be a nice boost to reinvigorate and enhance NPD’s accredited professional patrol force.”

He added, “We are trying hard to do more than just answer calls and write reports here at NPD. We are incident based and officers constantly identify and document root causes in an attempt to reduce crime. It’s a holistic approach we believe in that requires a commitment by all department members at FULL authorized strength.”

City Manager Richard F. Herbek said, “We are pleased to welcome four new officers to our Police Department, especially ones who are familiar with the City of Newburgh, have community ties, and are invested in it as residents. It is an added bonus that three of the new officers are Spanish-speaking, which will enhance our Department’s ability to communicate with a majority of our population.”

The newest of Newburgh’s Finest began the Police Academy on Sept. 17, 2012.